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UNM PRESIDENT David J. Schmidly announced recently the formation of a special advisory group to the President whose mission is to sharpen UNM's focus on containing costs in both academic and non-academic areas.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004762.html#more>

RESULTS OF A REPORT by the New Mexico Higher Education Prevention Consortium on student use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs at seven state higher education institutions will be released Friday, Feb. 12, at a press conference at the MCM Elegante Hotel, 2020 Menaul N.E. in Albuquerque. The report, written by the UNM Campus Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, an on-campus program of UNM's Center on Substance Abuse, Alcoholism, and Addictions and the UNM Student Health & Counseling Center, is the first-ever statewide survey of college alcohol, tobacco and other drug use in New Mexico.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004752.html#more>

THE DIVISION OF Student Affairs will celebrate National Random Acts of Kindness week Feb. 15-19, by hosting a necessities drive for Cuidando Los Niños and the Albuquerque Rescue Mission. The drive will run Feb. 12-19 with donation boxes for each charity located on the first and second floors of the Student Union Building.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004742.html#more>

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO today released the names of three finalists for the position of dean at the School of Engineering. They include Daniel Fleetwood, Patrick O'Shea and Gregory Washington. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004771.html#more>

DO YOU LIKE the idea of meeting new and interesting people connected with UNM? How about exchanging ideas and experiences in a casual environment over dinner? Then a unique program titled, Dinner for 12 Strangers, might just be your calling. Sponsored by the UNM Alumni Association, the 'Dinner for 12 Strangers' program is an opportunity for alumni to connect with UNM students, faculty and other alums when local alumni host a dinner in their home in an effort to make UNM a smaller and friendlier place.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004769.html#more>

RESEARCHERS AT UNM have been awarded \$37 million in competitive grants from funds appropriated for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Health Science Center researchers have been awarded \$21 million in grants. Researchers on the UNM main campus have been awarded \$16 million.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004759.html#more>

THE AMERICAN NURSES Credentialing Center has honored University of New Mexico Hospitals (UNMH) with the Pathway to Excellence® designation making it one of only 75

hospitals in the nation and the only hospital in New Mexico with the distinction.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004772.html#more>

SIX UNM PHYSICIANS will join a 23-member New Mexico Disaster Medical Assistance Team (NM DMAT) in a two-week deployment to Haiti beginning this Friday, Feb. 12. UNM DMAT members include specialists in emergency medicine, psychiatry, pediatrics, and obstetrics and gynecology.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=8496>

ALL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY related University policies are being reviewed, and where appropriate, will be revised. The proposal to review and revamp these policies - prior to the end of May 2010 - is available at:

<http://www.unm.edu/news/2010/february/newsreleases/Big%20Red.pdf>

STUDENTS WHO COME from small high schools without libraries are sometimes overwhelmed when they reach UNM and find four on-campus libraries with complex electronic databases. That's where the Indigenous Nations Library Program at University Libraries can make the transition easier. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004740.html#more>

THE PHYSICAL PLANT Department's iService Desk will be unavailable beginning Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 5 p.m. through Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 8 a.m. To place work orders during this period call PPD's Work Control office at 277-1600.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004767.html#more>

THE UNM PARENT ASSOCIATION is partnering with UNM athletics to offer the 2nd annual "Parent Day at the Pit" special event Saturday, Feb. 20. Tip-off for the UNM vs. Air Force men's basketball game is set 1:30 p.m. A pre-game reception, hosted by the Parent Association, will be held at the University Stadium's End Zone Club at 11:30 a.m. (located at the south end of University Stadium). Pre-registration is required.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004766.html#more>

THIS IS THE last full week of the New Mexico Legislature's 2010 session, and lawmakers are hard at work dealing with the state's massive budget shortfall. "New Mexico in Focus" correspondent Elaine Baumgartel talks with David Abbey, director of New Mexico's Legislative Finance Committee and others to get an inside view on budget and other battles taking place at the Roundhouse. "New Mexico In Focus" airs on Friday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. on KNME-TV channel 5.1 and repeating on Sunday, Feb. 14 at 6:30 a.m.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004773.html#more>